

LET'S TALK IT OVER – PART VI
“The Art of Purposeful Blessing”
1 Thessalonians 5:11

Words have power. You can use your words to impart blessings to people, which include encouragement, compliments, affirmation, appreciation, love and so on. You can also use your words destructively by hurling insults, negativity, slanderous accusations, discouragement and more. Believers in Christ are to harness the power of words to speak blessings to people. Today's teaching will explain how we can do that.

#1. WE MUST HAVE POSITIVE WORDS SPOKEN TO US TO BE EMOTIONALLY HEALTHY PEOPLE

- A. Affirmation –
- B. Appreciation –
- C. Encouragement –
- D. Love –
- E. Blessing –

APPLICATION POINTS

- ♣ Negative words cause emotional damage
- ♣ Verbally abused people often become verbally abusive
- ♣ Words can impart life or death

#2. WE CONSTANTLY RECEIVE POSITIVE WORDS FROM GOD

- A. God speaks words of affirmation to us, Rom 8:15-16
- B. God speaks words of appreciation to us, Mat 25:21
- C. God speaks words of encouragement to us, Heb 4:15-16
- D. God speaks words of love to us, John 15:9-13
- E. God speaks words of blessing to us, Eph 1:3

#3. WE MUST FOLLOW THE EXAMPLE OF JESUS IN CONVERSATIONS WITH PEOPLE

- A. Jesus used words to convey love, acceptance, & forgiveness
- B. Jesus used words with brutal honesty – the Pharisees
- C. Jesus used words to build people up - Peter
- D. Jesus used words of love as a motivator

#4. WE MUST BE PURPOSEFUL IN BLESSING PEOPLE WITH OUR WORDS

- A. We must bless and not curse, Rom 12:14
- B. We must consider what words will best serve others, Heb 10:24-25
 - 1. How can I affirm others?
 - 2. How can I express appreciation to others?
 - 3. How can I encourage others?
 - 4. How can I express love to others?
 - 5. How can I bless others?

NOTES:

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. Describe a conversation you recently had that was very edifying. What made it so edifying?
2. If a person grows up receiving abusive language how does it impact them as they grow into adulthood?
3. In what way(s) do words have power?
4. In point #2 on the outline discuss how God expresses each of these positive words to us.
5. In point #2 discuss how Satan speaks the opposite words to us.
6. What observations can you make about the way Jesus spoke to Peter? (John 21:15-19)
7. Why is it important to convey love, acceptance and forgiveness to nonbelievers in our conversations? What about believers?
8. Why are words of love a better motivator than words of intimidation?
9. What are your thoughts on Romans 12:14? We are never to curse our enemies.
10. How can we train ourselves to be aware of the words people need from us?
11. What is your takeaway from this teaching?

Welcome

to

Hillcrest Church!

*Love, Acceptance And
Forgiveness!*

*The tongue has the power of life and death,
and those who love it will eat its fruit.*

Proverbs 18:21

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